

GATEWAY

Parking issue endures

By Melanie S. Williams

The parking fines controversy began after student court justices voted unanimously to forgive, without further review, all parking ticket fines appealed to the student court.

Justices said their ruling was meant to stimulate a dialogue with the administration over the cost of fines and the "unfair" practice of doubling unpaid fines 14 days after they were issued.

Chief Justice Mike McKenna said Guy Conway, the director of the Student Center, sent a letter to the justices saying they could be found in "malfeasance of office," suggesting the justices would not be carrying out their assigned duties if they failed to review appealed tickets.

"I thought that helping students was doing our jobs," McKenna said.

"The administration's position is that the student court is a reactive, not a pro-active, body, which means we shouldn't have said we would grant all appeals without reviewing them," McKenna said.

"Their (administration's) biggest fear is that students would start parking in the fountain," he said. "But that wasn't our intention. We wanted to talk, and now the administration does, too."

McKenna said in order to comply, the justices will look at each ticket before they grant the appeal.

He said the student court has two major points to discuss with UNO's administration. The first is to lower parking fines, and the second is to change the system which automatically doubles unpaid fines after 14 days.

"We don't expect a complete solution to the parking problem, but a \$20 ticket issued to a person making minimum wage is a lot of money," McKenna said.

"We also want to see an appellate system that doesn't automatically double fines. The way the system is set now, it is impossible to appeal a ticket before that fine doubles."

McKenna said traffic appeals, which is the first step of the parking appeals process, only considers appeals on Mondays.

"So that means, theoretically, if I get a ticket on Monday and want to appeal it, I have to wait eight days until the next Monday. If that appeal is unsuccessful, and I want to appeal it further to the student court, there is no way that appeal can be considered before the ticket fine doubles."

Conway said he addressed the letter to the Chief Administrative Officer of Student Government Matt Schultz and Andria Palmesano, speaker of the student senate, with copies given to members of the student court.

He said he suggested he and the members of the student court get together to discuss the parking issue.

McKenna said the court was angered by the letter. "We are kind of steamed. They let us know — in no uncertain terms — that they'll find a way to surgically slice that arm of Student Government from the constitution. They also wanted us to know that the powers of Student Government were given by the administration and can be taken away."

"But if they start hacking away at Student Government, there'll be anarchy," predicted McKenna.

Schultz said he didn't know if the UNO administration had the power to eliminate the student court.

"But my position is, I would be infuriated if they did," Schultz said. "I know the administration is not pleased (with the ruling of the student court), but I don't think they'd go that far."

Schultz said he thought the constitution was voted on by the student body and ratified by the University of Nebraska Board of Regents.

"I don't think the student court could be eliminated without the direct authority of the regents," Schultz said.

McKenna said although the battle continues,

some UNO officials have been cooperative.

"Charles Swank has been very helpful — even though we've made his life a living hell," McKenna said. "And so has Terry Forman. While Terry likes our idea, it's not the way to do it, according to him."

Forman, advisor to Student Government, said the court's ruling simply included some unfortunate wording when it stated all tickets would be granted without review.

"They didn't mean that someone could park under the bell tower or in a handicapped parking space and get the ticket appealed," Forman said of student court's intentions.

McKenna added, "Hey, the ball has been parked in their court, so to speak. So, yeah. I'd like to have lunch with Del (Weber). And this is the unanimous feeling of the court; nobody has backed down."

McKenna said the fact UNO offers a shuttle bus to and from Ak-Sar-Ben is good, but added it is not a total solution for all students or a justification for the cost of fines.

"Why is administration telling me where to park when they don't park at Ak-Sar-Ben themselves?" McKenna asked. "It's very hard to take administration's suggestion to park at Ak-Sar-Ben seriously when they have their reserved spots at Eppley (Administration Building)."

Storm creates holiday for UNO

By Tim Rohwer

Trick or treat?

Thursday's Halloween snow storm gave UNO students and employees some of both.

The blizzard-like weather conditions made driving, and even walking, tricky. The storm also forced the cancellation of all UNO classes and activities Thursday night and Friday, giving students and employees an unexpected holiday.

According to UNO policy, the decision to close the university because of adverse weather conditions is made by the chancellor or a designee. The office of University Relations maintains a list of news media outlets for public announcement.

The closing was announced on all the local television and radio stations, said UNO Chancellor Del Weber.

He said reaction to the closing from students and faculty members he heard from was a unanimous "hurrah."

Closing the school because of weather is a rare occurrence, he said.

"We don't close it very often," Weber said. "I remember we closed the school a couple of years ago. Then, the sun came out, and it turned out to be a great day."

Weber said only essential personnel were asked to come in Friday. Most of them were unable to make it.

"No other administrators in my area were there Friday," Weber said.

He said he was able to make it to UNO simply because he lives nearby.

"It's really not fair to say I was able to make it, because I only live two blocks from school," Weber said.

While the storm kept many students from attending their classes, Matt Schultz, a sophomore majoring in political science, said the closing did not affect him.

"It seems rather ironic that they close school on the day when I don't have any classes," he said.



—Eric Franck

Frosty the Snowman ...

Although classes at UNO were cancelled Thursday night and Friday, apparently some students found something to occupy their free time. This snowman was built on the east side of the Eppley Administration Building Friday.

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Afghanistan library promoted

By Tim Rohwer

Sponsoring projects and activities relating to Afghanistan is the purpose of UNO's newly created Library Afghanistan Committee.

The committee was formed Sept. 17 in response to the abolishment of the Library International Affairs Committee earlier in the year, said Shaista Wahab, committee spokesperson.

One of the main functions of the committee is promoting the Arthur Paul Afghanistan Collection, she said. This collection features over 6,000 pieces of material about Afghanistan's history, religion, geography and economy.

"No other library in this country has a collection of this size available," Wahab said.

Most of the collection is in English with materials available in 24 other languages, she

said. Most of the materials are available in books and video tapes.

Wahab said Paul was an economic advisor to the Royal Government of Afghanistan from 1960 to 1965. During that period, he was able to collect published and unpublished materials about Afghanistan culture.

He gave his collection to UNO in 1974 because of UNO's close relationship with Afghanistan universities, she said. Paul died in 1976.

Committee members have developed 23 audio tapes of interviews with Afghanistan experts, Wahab said.

Membership on the committee is open to all UNO faculty, staff and students, Wahab said.

"We are always open to new members," she said.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Feminists could have made a world of difference

Dear Editor:

It was with a great deal of interest that I read the letter of Rhonda S. Roach in the Oct. 25 *Gateway*.

Generally, I have no comment on the feminist/total woman furor, but a particular phrase Roach employed hit a nerve.

First, I guess I'd better mention that I consider myself a feminist. OK, so she says, "Feminists have been spurned by a male in their lifetimes; a father who didn't have time for them."

Excuse me?

I would not say my father spurned me. I would say he beat me, although chronic physical abuse might be the more politically correct buzzword.

But do you know what else he did? Of course you don't; it doesn't happen in your Ken-and-Barbie world. To avoid any graphic description, I will say only that he intruded on my privacy.

He had time for me; oh, how he had time for me. I've never slept well since childhood, and I still cannot urinate if there is another man in the room.

My problem began in childhood. My mother took me to a doctor to find out what was wrong.

Quite by coincidence, the doctor who examined me was female. But I guess she didn't have a chip on her shoulder. I guess

she was busy working, because she didn't find any physical cause for my problem, and if the thought of molestation crossed her mind (How could it not have?), she certainly did not say a word about it.

And now, 25 years later, Roach says, "sniveling, whimpering feminists are a stench in our nostrils" and "A shame to the female gender."

I don't think so. The fact is, "A few loud-mouthed, irate feminists" could have made a world of difference in my life.

Stephen Srb
UNO Student

Thomas succeeded in spite of unjustified allegations

Dear Editor:

I agree with the confirmation of Judge Clarence Thomas to the Supreme Court.

I, like many other people and the majority of U.S. senators, feel the allegations brought against Thomas were unsupported and unjustified.

If Anita Hill decided 10 years ago that the events which took place were important, she should have acted on the decision.

As it turned out, she decided to wait until now to come forward.

No one will ever know what did or did not happen or what was

or was not said. What we do know is that we have a new judge sitting on our highest court, despite one person's battle to ruin his career.

The article in the Oct. 18 *Gateway* clearly showed opinions on both sides of the issue. I agreed with the viewpoint suggesting the entire ordeal was a political move by Thomas detractors to disallow his confirmation.

Jodi Caniglia-Cox

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OPINION / EDITORIAL

Fred makes it through the blizzard

My attitude about winter is directly proportional to the relationship between me and my car.

I did not know this in 1984 when I fled the Heartland and sought refuge in the tropical world of Florida. I learned it over the past weekend when I realized winter is not so bad if you have reliable transportation.

You can obtain mechanical reliability, but to have the luck of nature on your side, you must love your car, talk to it, and most importantly, name it.

In 1984, life was hell in the winter. I drove a 1976 MG Midget, and because I did not acknowledge cars were also sensitive, I developed an intense dislike for ice and snow.

I was so cold toward my car that the plastic windows cracked and tape wouldn't even stick to seal them. I would bundle myself up with scarves, earmuffs, hats and leg warmers, in addition to the normal jacket and gloves.

I would then jump into my MG and drive down the highway to work, the fresh snow swirling through the cracks of the windows.

The snow flew around my face, sticking to my eyelashes, glasses and the inside of the windshield. I vowed then and there that would be my last freezing winter.

The bigger cars picked on us and used us for bumper car targets. Other drivers claimed, "I didn't see them." On New Year's Eve, I was ticketed for reckless driving because the other driver had a hard time seeing us. He was coming from a party and I was coming from my waitressing job. Hmmmm ...

If per chance in 1984 you remember an orange-red MG with the rear bumper tied on with rope, one windshield wiper missing with a bandana in its place so the metal tip didn't scratch the windshield, and the entire car tilted at approximately a 10 degree angle because all the shocks were broken on the right side: That

ON THE 8TH DAY WITH TARA MUIR

was me.

However, I was saved from further torture of winter when a former employer of mine bought a run-down resort in Key Largo, Fla. Would I be slave labor for the summer? Just tell me what time the plane takes off.

I decided to stay in Florida for five years to thaw out.

In the fall of 1985, on an 85-degree, cloudless day, I met Fred Ford, a flawless 1986 silver Mustang, sitting on the showroom floor at the Gus Machado dealership in Hialeah, Fla. (I named the car after a horse ... long story.)

I bought Fred with a loan at 18 percent interest as any typically naive girl from the Midwest would do on her own in a huge metropolis.

Fred must have realized my sacrifices for him because we have established a relationship that will last forever, or at least until his body is completely rusted.

The winds began blowing in 1989, and I began to "go with the wind." (Get it? My name is Tara, from the movie.) I blew through Minneapolis, Minn., in November of 1989 for six weeks. Fred and I survived subzero temperatures that covered the Midwest for more than a month. Fred hung in there with me even as I rolled him over a speed bump at 70 degrees below zero. His dashboard cracked because he was so thoroughly frozen. But he gallantly kept me warm.

The wind blew again, and I landed in Pittsburgh, Pa., until November of 1990. Fred and I survived the mountain roads. The wind blew again, and here I am.

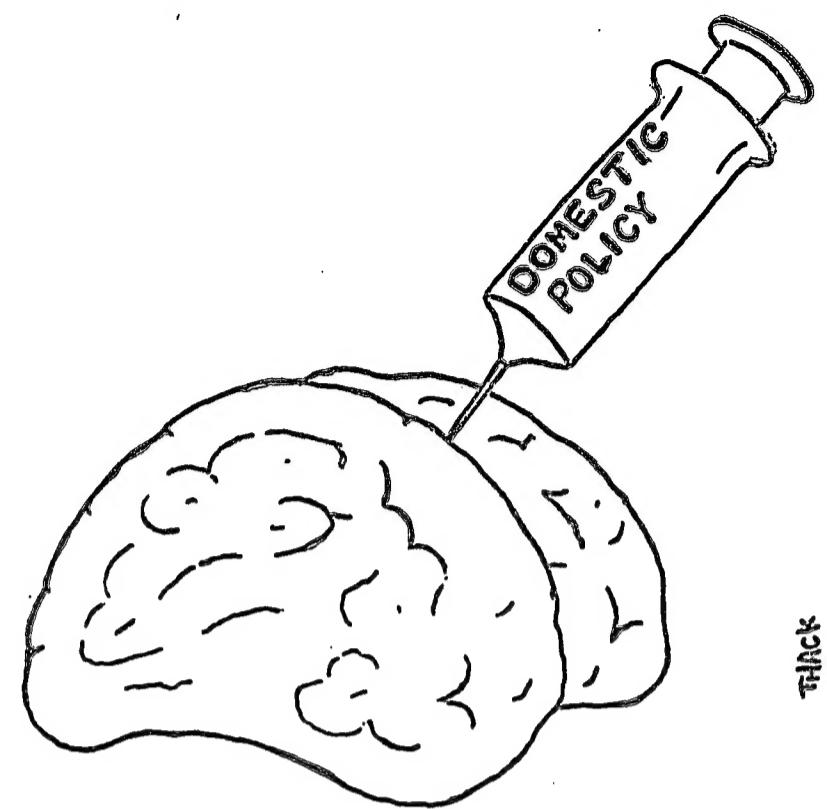
I moaned and groaned through it all, but Fred put up with me. What a man. Not until last week's storm did he awaken me to the silver lining of the cloud of winter. The world needs a lot more snow storms.

Friday morning, my neighbors and I were helping other neighbors push and pull each other's cars out of their parking places. Such camaraderie was formed when we realized we were in the same dilemma, fighting nature. Jumper cables also abounded and many a "thank you" echoed in the bone chilling air.

Driving on ice-packed streets, Fred noticed innocent cars were not cut off by the hot rods. At a red light midway up a hill on Dodge Street, a powerful truck inched up and gently nudged a little economy car up the hill.

Fred is the real star, my pride and joy, because he has transported me around since Thursday without even a close call. He has responded with such love and devotion.

A new battery and a tune-up every once in a while hasn't hurt our relationship, but warm caresses on the dashboard and an "I love you, you sweet little car" every morning when Fred roars to life are the real essentials.



The President's Brain. Wishful Thinking.

Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow

Unseasonable blizzard conditions and an uncharacteristic school closing.

It was surely amazing.

Despite the fact some members of the *Gateway* staff were stranded on campus Thursday morning due to the ice, and the campus closed for Friday so few people got to see that issue of the paper until this week, we weren't going to turn down a day off.

We have to hand this week's *Gateway* award for doing a great job to the grounds people and Chancellor Del Weber.

While most UNO faculty, staff and students were home in their warm beds around 1 a.m. Thursday, oblivious to the freezing rain pelting Omaha streets and UNO's parking lots, some of our staff members were working in Annex 26 and watching UNO grounds employees start the battle of the ice.

In virtually no time after the freezing rain started to fall, faithful (and certainly cold)

grounds people were out tossing sand on the parking lots and walkways and trying valiantly to keep the accumulation on the pavement minimal (in spite of Mother Nature's attempts to dump the white stuff faster than they could move it.)

Weber must have taken note of this and the continuing deterioration of weather conditions and called off classes for Thursday evening, and later, for Friday.

Thanks for the day off — but more importantly — thanks for recognizing the roads and the weather were just too dangerous and too bad to ask people to come in.

Our congrats to the grounds staff for their dedication and to Weber for his forethought in closing the campus.

Maybe we can't expect to have school cancelled every time it snows (we can hope though), but if this blizzard was an indication of how well the grounds staff is going to do their job, we can at least expect safe parking lots and sidewalks.

STAFF EDITORIAL THE BLIZZARD

By 5 a.m. one cold fellow was shoveling the sidewalks up to our annex, while managing to scare us half to death by the racket he created chipping at the ice.

At 8 a.m., when the parking lots looked desolate compared to their usual frenzied state, it was apparent few people were able (or willing) to make it to UNO. In addition, students were calling us to see if classes had been canceled.

Giving thanks for Thanksgiving

It's here.

The Halloween candy has been eaten, and costumes have been boxed and put away for the year. That can mean only one thing: It's Christmas merchandising season.

Notice I said Christmas merchandising season, not Christmas season. Christmas season doesn't officially begin until after Thanksgiving, but Christmas merchandising season starts right after Halloween. That's because Thanksgiving trees and stuffed Santa Pilgrims don't sell as well as their Christmas counterparts.

After all, that's what holidays have come to be all about — money, cash ... you know, the green stuff.

In the process, Thanksgiving gets lost. Sure, there are a few parades, and you eat until your teeth hurt, but basically Thanksgiving is a pit stop on the way to Christmas.

I've had people ask me:

"Dave, how can we make Thanksgiving mean something again?"

Glad you asked. The answer is marketing. Pure and simple, we need to sell Thanksgiving.

Let's see ... Thanksgiving. Giving thanks. And what better way to show your appreciation for someone than by buying them something?

So, starting this Thanksgiving, begin to exchange gifts with

friends and loved ones.

We also need some good Thanksgiving carols. Something peppy like "Deck the Plates (With Lots of Turkey)" or "Brigham, the Red-Nosed Pilgrim."

Hallmark will, of course, jump on the bandwagon with Thanksgiving cards. These should be interesting:

"I'm thankful for turkeys, football and yams;
Big balloons and marching bands;

But what I think was really nice:

Was that I wasn't stuffed

and served with rice."

Perhaps the reason Thanksgiving isn't all that popular is the meaning people derive from the word "turkey." If something is bad, it's a "turkey."

So maybe we should drop the turkey in favor of a bird people could associate with the holiday in a majestic, peaceful sense — like the bald eagle.

(Note that it must be the bald eagle, as any other type of eagle might leave hair on your tongue — that, in a word, would be gross. Not at all the image we want for Thanksgiving.)

And so I exclaim as onward I write ... Merry Thanksgiving to all and to all a good night.

Dave Dufek is a sophomore.

NEWS CLIPS

Author to discuss Omaha Indian leader

Former UNO professor Marion Marsh Brown will discuss her new book, "Homeward the Arrow's Flight," Wednesday at noon in the Student Center Council Room.

The book is a biography of the Omaha Indian leader Suzette LaFlesche.

This is a brown bag lunch event, sponsored by the United Christian Ministries in Higher Education.

IN THE AREA ...

Opportunity to study in Czechoslovakia

"Czechoslovakia 1992: A Living Laboratory in European Economics, Politics and Culture" is the theme of the 1992 National Honors Semester, co-sponsored by the National Collegiate Honors Council, UNO's Honors Program and the office of International Studies and Programs.

Led by Richard Wikoff, UNO psychology professor, the semester will include study in the cities of Prague and Olomouc.

The cost of the program is \$3,600, excluding

air fare.

For more information and applications, call Rosalie Saltzman at 554-2696.

Group to discuss relaxation techniques

Relaxation techniques will be discussed at Tuesday's meeting of the Metro Omaha Cancer Survivorship Group.

The meeting will be held from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the third-floor dining room at the University of Nebraska Medical Center Hospital.

The cancer survivorship group meets the first Tuesday of every month and is designed to help cancer survivors live productive lives.

For more information, contact Susan Stensland at 559-4676.

Seminar: Screening job candidates

"How to Interview Prospective Employees," a one-day seminar teaching practical techniques for screening job candidates, will be held Nov. 12 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Peter Kiewit Conference Center, 1313 Farnam St.

The seminar will be taught by Robert Carlson, a UNO professor of communication.

For more information or to register, call UNO's College of Continuing Studies at 595-2308.

Bigamist professor

PALO ALTO, Calif. (CPS)—As if Stanford University hadn't been handling enough problems of its own, up popped three — no, one — more last month.

After pediatrics professor and lung transplant researcher Norman Lewiston died in August, a local newspaper ran his obituary, which named his widow.

Shortly after the obituary ran, another woman called the Stanford Medical School to tell officials she was Lewiston's widow.

Finally, a few weeks later, a third wife was discovered. The woman, a San Diego nurse, had filed for divorce just one month before Lewiston died.

An investigation by school officials found Lewiston married his third wife two years ago, his second wife five years ago and his first wife, with whom he had three children, in 1960.

The third wife told reporters she thought he had divorced his first two wives.

While attorneys sort out the mess in terms of Lewiston's estate, Stanford officials are looking into another oddity.

An audit uncovered a previously unknown bank account in which Lewiston deposited reimbursed research funds.

Feminist theology

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (CPS)—Yale University is offering a new major for master's students through its Divinity School. The focus — feminist interpretations of the Bible and theology.

The new concentration consists of 22 interdisciplinary courses in theology, ministry, church history and biblical studies.

Nine faculty members will teach the classes.

"The move also announces to the academic world that there are enough books to support feminist theology studies, and that substantial research has been done in this area," coordinator Letty Russell said in a press release.

... AROUND THE NATION

Fast food bad for face

BUFFALO, N.Y. (CPS)—According to a report in the New England Journal of Medicine, a dermatologist at the State University of New York at Buffalo reiterated earlier findings that excess iodine can cause acne flare-ups.

So what? Well, hamburger and french fries lovers, a further study of those two foods sold in fast-food restaurants showed such a meal contains up to 30 times the recommended daily allowance of iodine.

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Kerrey, Harkin likely for '92 elections

Editor's Note: *Election '92 is a new addition to the Gateway. The column will be featured in every other Tuesday issue. Election '92 is a commentary and will contain the opinions and extrapolations of the author.*

The '92 presidential campaign has begun, and you can't tell the contenders apart without a program.

Our very own Sen. Bob Kerrey is a challenger to the throne. He entered the race after most of the hot shots of the Democratic Party decided to sit this one out.

Kerrey is a Vietnam veteran who received the Medal of Honor. This might defend him from any attacks on his patriotism such as those Bush used against Dukakis in 1988. One drawback for him might be his lack of experience in the Senate. He is in the middle of his first term. He was elected to a six-year term in 1988.

Kerrey has managed to cause a stir in Washington this year with his health care plan, Health U.S.A., and will make health care an issue in the '92 campaign. He is also a strong advocate for improving the quality of education. He was scheduled to speak at the National Press Club on Monday about his plans for economic growth.

One candidate has already done just that — Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin, a former Navy pilot in Vietnam and an ultra-liberal, populist Bush-basher.

His plan calls for a 50 percent cut in defense spending in the next 10 years, including scrapping the B-2 bomber and the Strategic Defense Initiative. He also wants investment in the nation's human and physical infrastructure. He might be a real threat for the Democratic nomination. My bet is it will be between Harkin and Kerrey.

ELECTION '92

BY MIKE JACOBS

has been reported he likes the idea of giving college students random drug tests.

Brown is the anti-establishment candidate. He wants the people to take back the government that has been stolen from them. During his announcement speech, he railed against the Bush administration AND Congress, saying there are no Republican or Democratic parties; there is only the Incumbent Party. His limit on campaign contributions is \$100. He'll be the first one out of the race, due to a lack of funds.

Have I forgotten anyone? What about the Cuomo factor? Will Mario run? If he does, he'll put the rest of the field to shame. Everyone is waiting for him to announce, but it is getting late. He had better get started.

Next time, I'll give some tips on how to follow the campaign better in '92 by avoiding the major television networks.

Other candidates in the running include Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton, former Massachusetts Sen. Paul Tsongas (pronounced zong-us), Virginia Gov. Douglas Wilder and former governor of California Jerry Brown.

Clinton might garner a few votes in the Southern primaries, but don't expect much. He isn't that well-known outside of Arkansas, and governors are outsiders in Washington. Remember Jimmy Carter? Clinton might make a decent vice-presidential candidate, but who knows?

Tsongas was the first to announce his candidacy way back in April. Count him out. He has the Massachusetts curse hanging around his neck and doesn't seem to want to talk about anything but economics.

Wilder is another also-ran. Some say he is a closet conservative. He wants massive cuts in government spending, and it

Medical Center has a new chest X-ray unit

The University of Nebraska Medical Center has acquired a new X-ray unit that provides faster, more accurate chest X-rays than conventional units, said Dr. Thomas Imray, chairman of the Med Center's department of radiology.

The Advanced Multiple-Beam Equalization Radiography (AMBER) unit is the most significant breakthrough in chest X-ray equipment in the last 20 years and is currently available in only a few medical centers in the United States, he said. No other hospital in Nebraska has such a unit.

"The AMBER unit is state-of-the-art equipment and represents the wave of the future as far as chest X-ray equipment is concerned. It will probably replace the conventional equipment now in use at many hospitals and medical centers," he said.

Chest X-rays play a central role in the detection and diagnosis of lung disease and are the most frequently performed X-ray exam in the world, Imray said.

"However, despite the frequency of chest radiography, the chest remains one of the most technically challenging regions of the body to X-ray due to the wide variation of tissue densities that are difficult to image with conventional equipment," he said.

He said the AMBER unit improves the informational content of chest X-rays and is superior to conventional radiographic equipment because of the excellent images it produces of the lungs and mediastinum, the area between the lungs that contains the heart, trachea, esophagus, lymph nodes and connective tissue. This area is often underexposed on conventional radiographs.

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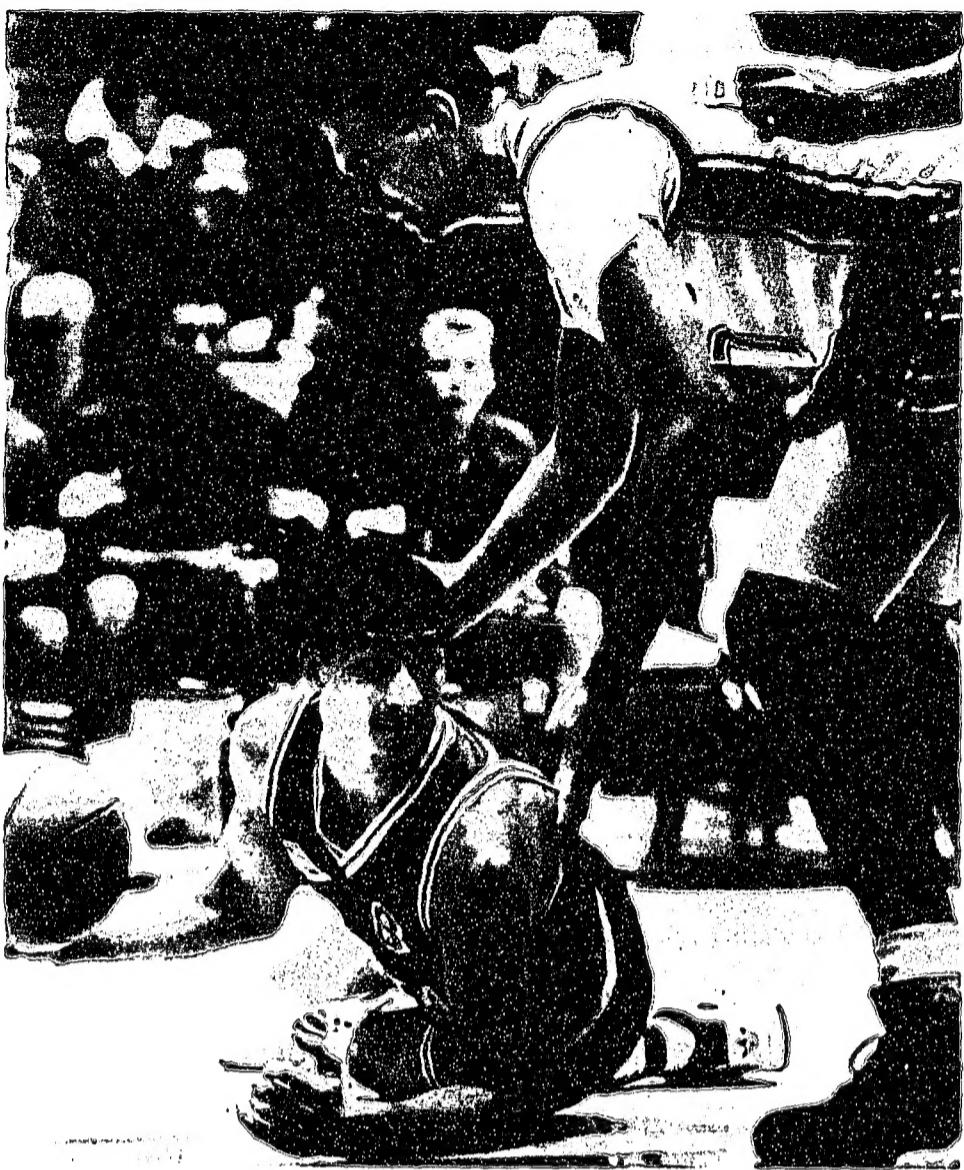
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Nowhere to go ... Maverick center Phil Cartwright (standing) corners a Ukrainian player during Sunday's game against the Nationals.

Soviet hoopsters squeak by Mavericks

By Daren Schrat

Led by Alexander Kravchenko's 17 points, and with 12 each from Victor Savchenko and Dmitry Snejko, the Ukrainian National Basketball Team defeated the UNO Mavericks 71-68 in an exhibition game at the UNO Field House Sunday.

Head Coach Bob Hanson expected a good matchup against the Ukrainians and was not disappointed.

"They were what I expected. I felt they would be more physical inside, but they were more of a perimeter team, passing and cutting. They controlled the tempo of the game all night with their passing and three-point shooting," he said.

UNO Assistant Coach Dennis Majeskie agreed with Hanson.

"I think we knew they were going to be a good team, and our players always thought that. I don't think we took them lightly at all," he said.

The Ukrainians are scheduled for 12 games over a 16-day period.

Majeskie said the Ukrainians' level of play will be affected by the wear and tear of their tour. The Ukrainian team will play the likes of Creighton University, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Iowa State, Kansas State, Wichita State and University of Iowa during their tour.

The Mavericks stayed close for most of the game, trailing 36-35 at the half. They fell

behind by as much as 11 points in the second half, but closed in during the final eight minutes, trailing by one point with 1:10 remaining.

"If we could have attacked them a little better and got some turnovers, maybe we could have capitalized," Majeskie said.

Hanson said defeating the Ukrainian team was difficult because they are so much more experienced. He said the Ukrainians ran a defense his team is not accustomed to.

"That type of team is hard to play, because they control the ball so well. They handle the ball well, they can penetrate, and they can shoot three," he said.

"I thought it was a good learning experience for our players," he said.

Maverick guard Tony Stubblefield had a different view.

"They were all right, but we should have won that game. We didn't play a very good game tonight, and we can play much better," he said.

Stubblefield said the Ukrainians switch a lot more and were good three-point shooters.

"They shot more three-pointers than I've ever played against," he said.

The language barrier between the players did not make any difference on the court, but it did raise some curiosity among Maverick players.

See Basketball, page 7

Team stuck in Sioux Falls Artic blast stops Mavs

By Elizabeth Merrill

The Maverick football team seemed to match up well against the North Dakota State Bison, but were no match for Mother Nature.

The Mavs headed for Fargo, N.D., on Friday for their Saturday game against NDSU, but were forced to change their itinerary as icy conditions closed the interstate at Sioux Falls, S.D.

The squad spent the night in Sioux Falls and had planned to reschedule the game on Sunday, but the weather did not improve.

After numerous phone calls between UNO and NDSU administrators and the North Central Conference (NCC) commissioner, the teams mutually decided to cancel the game.

UNO Defensive Coordinator Scott Grogan said the cancellation of the game against the Bison, the Division II national champions last year, capped off a disappointing weekend for the Mavs.

"It was a frustrating and tiring weekend," he said. "We felt like we were ready to go, but things just didn't work out." Grogan said one of the biggest setbacks was the "strain of not knowing what we were going to do."

Even if the roads had improved, the Mavs would have had to deal with another weather factor in Fargo. Wind chills hovered around 40 degrees below zero, producing conditions Grogan called, "not conducive to good health, very intolerable."

Heading into the game against the Bison, the Mavs were on a roll after victories over Morningside and third-ranked Northern Colorado, and Grogan does not think the cancellation will slow the squad down.

"(The cancellation) can be a positive thing," he said. "We get a chance to heal some wounds, and get healthy. The next game we should be at full strength."

The Mavericks play North Dakota on Saturday in their last home game of the season.

'Creative' penalties would improve the game Revise those rules, referees

Over the weekend, I watched a rather close (ahem) college football game between Nebraska and Colorado.

The game was good and you couldn't have scripted a closer finish — but after the game was over I realized there was one team that went unnoticed, as in all games ...

The referees.

But I think referees have become a stale part of the game. Who cares if players hold each other or get into fights. They're big — they can take it.

What the world really needs are some more original things penalties can be called for.

This would improve the entertainment value of the game.

Of course, die-hard traditionalists wouldn't want to do away with such penalties as clipping, face mask and unnecessary roughness, but I have a few more suggestions to add to the list:

Illegal use of loud colors, five yards: Nebraska's Tom Osborne would get a flag thrown every game. This would force him to wear something other than those red pants.

Unnecessary butt-patting, 10 yards:

We've all seen athletes go at it after a good play — reaching over and giving each other a good, hard spanking. C'mon, can't you wait until you hit the showers, guys?

Roughing the kicker: I understand that this is a current rule — when trying to block a punt or a kick, a player must go for the ball, not the kicker. My only amendment is that instead of a yardage penalty, the referees will look the other way while the kicker is ...

Kicking the rougher, no yards: The kicker will get a free shot at anyone that gets overzealous when trying to block a kick. I hope the rougher is wearing a cup.

Unnecessary Gatorade-dumping, loss of game: Can't a team come up with something more creative than dumping Gatorade all over a coach after a big win? Doing so would cause the winning team to forfeit the game.

On the other hand, announcers have too much of a negative way it is. You hear the color commentators doing too much color and too little commentating.

I suggest a referee stay in the announcer's booth during the game to avoid this.

Imagine if you will:

Unnecessary hairspray: Considering the fact that most sports announcers use enough hair products to destroy six or seven layers of ozone, a penalty could be called on the announcers in this area, after which the announcer would be hosed down.

Illegally getting off of the subject: For example: "Joe Montana throws a bullet pass to his wide receiver. Speaking of bullets, did you know Joe is a avid sportsman? He gunned down five bears on a recent hunting trip to Montana."

Speaking of bears, the 49ers will play the Bears at Soldier Field next week. Speaking of soldiers, did you know Joe was a pilot in Vietnam? Speaking of pilots, be sure to watch NBC's premiere episode of 'A Different World' following this game. By the way, that pass was complete."

That should be illegal and the penalty for doing so should be 3-5 years covering little league jai alai.

But now that I think about it, referees should be around in everyday situations. Such an arrangement could make life a little more worry-free.

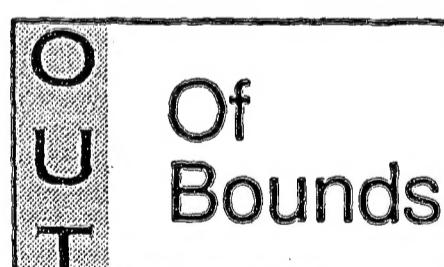
In a nightclub: Man meets woman. Man asks woman to dance. While dancing, man's hands descend lower until ...

(Tweet.) "Illegal use of the hands, number 33. Stay five yards away from her."

In relationships: Woman meets man. Woman meets man. Woman dates both until ... (Tweet.) "Too many men in the field. Choose one and replay the down."

In a bar: Man sees woman. Man approaches woman. Man makes a pass at woman. Another man approaches woman ... (Tweet.) "Pass interference. 15 yard penalty and an automatic first date."

Hopefully, with a little creativity like this and some cooperation from the appropriate parties, referees can become a little more colorful people and we can put a little more meaning into life all in one shot.



By Dave Dufek

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"I really didn't pay much attention to them because they were talking so fast," Stubblefield said.

Stubblefield said the Mavs need to work on defense intensity and speeding things up. He said the Mavs were able to move inside and score pretty well.

Hanson was pleased how the Mavs came back against the Ukrainians. He is confident his team will have the ability to succeed in 1991.

Hanson said he liked how Stubblefield, Terry Henderson and Phil Cartwright played against the Ukrainians. Henderson, along with guard Ryan Elrod, led Mav scorers with 11 points each. Freshman center Hans Geerts had 10 points.

"I thought Tony Stubblefield did well until he got into foul trouble. He gave us a lot of spark in the first half and Phil played hard. I thought Terry Henderson coming off the bench added some spark," he said.

Stubblefield had four steals, six assists, and hit three of five field goals. Phil Cartwright pulled in 11 rebounds and blocked three shots for the Mavs.

Hanson said there are still a few things the Mavs need to work on before the season begins.

"We need to learn to play harder, play with more intensity and learn to keep from fouling quite so much," he said. "We need to handle the ball a little bit better. We shot the ball a little too quick at times and we need better execution."

Majeskie also expressed his confidence in the Mavericks for 1991.

"I like (our) potential, we have a great amount of potential, but this 'potential' is also a dangerous word. We have to work to that point. I think we need to go back for three weeks before we play against Doane on the 27th. We have a lot of work to do, and we have a lot of things to work on, and we'll be back," he said.

UNO 17-15 overall

Lady Mavs win two in Texas

By Elizabeth Merrill

The UNO volleyball team finished third at the Texas Woman's tournament last weekend, but Head Coach Rose Shires isn't jumping for joy over her team's performance.

"Basically, I'm disappointed," she said. "It was our intention to go in and win the tournament."

The Lady Mavericks won their first match on Friday against Texas Wesleyan, 16-14, 15-10, 8-15, and 15-4, but then were stunned by Missouri Southern in three games.

UNO rebounded on Saturday to defeat East Texas State, 15-13, 15-5, and 15-10, and dropped their final game to Texas Woman's University, 9-15, 4-15, 15-8, and 16-14, in a match the Mavericks, according to Shires, let slip away.

UNO won the third game and were ahead 14-11 in the fourth game before TWU stormed back.

"We did not close the door on them," said Shires. "We feel that we should not have lost against Texas Woman's University, and we did, and that hurt us."

Shires said the Lady Mavs lacked consistency throughout the tournament, and it could be attributed to the youth of the squad, as UNO has only two upperclassmen on the team.

"We definitely played up and down," she said. "Anytime you have a young team, you have a hard time being consistent on a week-to-week basis. Hopefully, they'll grow out of it."

Seniors Karen Soukup and Pam Largent led the Lady Mavs, as Soukup had 33 kill spikes and 32 defensive digs in the tournament, and Largent added 146 set assists. The seniors

were all-tournament selections.

"Both Pam and Karen did a good job (last) weekend," said Shires. "They probably had their best matches since September."

Shires added that Largent and Soukup have been invaluable leaders throughout the season.

"The seniors have been a big part of everything," she said. "When they're on, the whole team is on."

The younger players made their mark in Texas, also. Sophomore Laura Monahan had a combined 36 kill spikes in the tournament.

Sophomore Laura Kelly had 11 kill spikes against Texas Wesleyan and East Texas State. She added 12 kills in UNO's loss to Texas Woman's University. Outside hitter Dawn Hottovy, another sophomore, had a game-high 12 kills against Texas Wesleyan.

"Kelly and Hottovy did an excellent job in the middle," said Shires.

Freshman Kevin Campbell saw limited action against Texas Woman's University and East Texas State, earning a dig and a kill spike against TWU.

"Kevin came off the bench and did well," said Shires. "We are looking at getting all three of the freshmen involved, in hopes that they will gain some experience."

The Lady Mavs will continue to mix youth with experience this weekend, as they host the University of Nebraska-Kearney, Minnesota-Duluth, and Northern Colorado at the Field House.

SPORTS SHORTS

Seniors' last stand Saturday

Seniors Pam Largent and Karen Soukup will play their last home game on Saturday against Minnesota-Duluth at 7 p.m.

Largent is the all-time set assist leader at UNO with 3,793, topping Wendy Melcher's 3,343 record from 1980-83.

Soukup is No. 9 on UNO's all-time kill spike list, with 846, needing only two more to replace Renee Rezac, 1982-85, for No. 8.

What is most impressive about Soukup's spike total is it was accumulated over only a three-year period. She played for the University of Wyoming her freshman season.

The Lady Mavs will square off against Northern Colorado at home at 7 p.m. Friday in a crucial North Central Conference (NCC) game that will determine where UNO will be seeded in

the conference tournament. UNO will also face the University of Nebraska at Kearney on Saturday at 3 p.m.

Lady Mavs sponsor clinic

The UNO women's basketball team will sponsor a basketball clinic for girls in the first through sixth grades.

The "hoopsther" clinic will be held Nov. 16 from 10-11:30 a.m. at the UNO Field House.

In addition to basketball fundamentals, the Lady Mavs will also discuss the importance of academics, health, nutrition and goal-setting. Drug awareness and peer pressure will also be featured topics.

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Animated films popular with college crowd

(CPS)—It happened one rainy Sunday afternoon when a pair of bored college students went in search of cheap entertainment.

They ended up at the video store, perusing the shelves long and hard for Mickey Rourke's newest release at the time, "Wild Orchid."

The steamy, sexy film was checked out. A college student working at the store recommended "The Little Mermaid" instead.

"The Little Mermaid?"

You gotta be kidding.

"It's the greatest," he said. "I even cried at the end."

But, silly rabbit — er, guy — cartoons are for kids.

Or are they?

This year's re-release of the Walt Disney classic "101 Dalmatians" is just one example of the never-ending popularity and recent rebirth of animation. The film grossed \$55.6 million and was the seventh biggest hit of the summer.

Most notably, college students as well as children left the theaters humming "Cruella Deville." The former searched record stores for the rock 'n' roll version of the song recorded by The Replacements while the latter, their tiny-tot companions, settled for the Disney version.

Disney movies are not the only popular toons these days. Warner Brothers' Bugs Bunny and other characters still draw Saturday morning audiences, and students and adults alike have rushed video stores in recent months to rent and buy the newly released, six-volume *Rocky and Bullwinkle* collection.

"It's been like a one-two punch," said David McDonnell, editor of *Comics Scene* magazine.

"You have 'Roger Rabbit' come out — a technical masterpiece — the 'The Little Mermaid' and *Ducktales* and the *Simpsons* on TV. All of this creates more interest."

That interest cuts across all age groups.

"We are now creating these films that don't date," says Max Howard, head of Disney's animation division in Florida. "Now there is not a generation around that hasn't grown up with animation."

Of the old animation — *Looney Tunes*, *Bullwinkle*, the

Grinch and Disney classics like "Fantasia" — the reason for interest is primarily two-fold.

First, "kids grow up with them," says pop culture professor Jack Nachbar at Bowling Green State University in Ohio.

Second, "if you look especially at Warner Brothers, what is recognized is classic humor, something like the restoration of comedy on the stage," Nachbar said.

One near-exception to that rule, however, is Disney. Pop culture experts say the company single-handedly revived the industry with the release of "Who Framed Roger Rabbit" in 1988.

Disney followed "Roger Rabbit" with the Academy-Award winning "The Little Mermaid" and has high hopes for its Nov. 22 release of "Beauty & the Beast." The only moderate Disney success was "The Rescuers Down Under," which the company hopes will draw more attention now that it has been released on video.

Select theaters around the country are still showing "Fantasia," unarguably the animated classic of them all.

"I never met a college student who didn't get into 'Fantasia,'" said Dan Vebber, a senior studying art at the University of Wisconsin at Madison. "With 'The Little Mermaid,' it's a sappy children's story, but I know a lot of women who love it. I think the guys do too, they're just afraid to admit it."

Disney's success with "The Little Mermaid" helped reinforce the validity of its return to the goals of Walt Disney — to release one new animated film every year.

After "Beauty & the Beast," "Aladdin" is scheduled to follow.

The new films show new character depth and attempt to prove that the simple, feel-good Disney storylines aren't just for kids.

"In 'Beauty & the Beast' we tried to create a heroine in Belle, someone looking for life and education," Howard said. "In the past we've been accused of not giving our women character depth."

Animator Glen Keane agrees. Keane was one of the animators who drew Ariel in "The Little Mermaid" and is the mastermind behind the Beast in Disney's new film.

"The challenge is to build a character, to make sure he or she is real. The older guys who did 'Pinocchio' and 'Snow White' would've done 'The Little Mermaid' much differently than we did," Keane said.

"We wouldn't have chosen to draw those attitudes, that heroines were supposed to be beautiful all the time," he said. "We took a realistic approach, not the sugary-coated princess approach."

The studio also made the musical score a much greater part of the storyline in "The Little Mermaid."

"Songs are an integral part of the story," Howard said. "That's what musicals and operas are — the music was key to it coming alive."

Artistically, Keane credits much of the newfound Disney sophistication and its attraction to a college audience to the ages of the animators — 23 to 35 on average.

"Our interests should really reflect the interest of people our own age anyway," he said.

Keane said another drawing point (no pun intended) is that the animated characters are real. "I have to be able to draw that character and be that character. It's a real disciplined art form."

Keane, whose next project is to draw the male lead in "Aladdin," expressed a great desire to continue the sophistication these artists have found.

"I don't know that we've ever done a male lead before," he said. "Generally, our men have been wimpy. But I want this guy to be real. I'd like the women in the audience to leave saying, 'Wow! I'd like to date him.'"



—Photo courtesy of the Walt Disney Company

This is a tender scene from Walt Disney's adaption of a classic fairy tale.

McDonnell agrees. "Watching it now, I'm amazed at all the incredible references to then-current events and the subtle sexual innuendos."

Many of the Warner Brothers cartoons also emphasize societal messages, says Jay Wright, curator of the touring museum exhibit "That's All Folks!"

"This is a parcel of our way of looking at things," he said. "Like Wile E. Coyote and the Road Runner. The message is that no matter how hard you try, you don't always win."

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